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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, I/WE (1) Hironori SUZUKI,

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hereinafter referred to as Assignor (collectively if more than one inventor is listed above), have invented certain new and useful improvements in AGENT FOR REMOVING BORON AND METHOD FOR REMOVING BORON the specification of which:

- (a) is attached hereto; or
- (b) was filed on _____ as Application No. _____ or Express Mail No., as Application No. not yet known _____ and was amended on _____ (if applicable); or
- (c) was described and claimed in PCT International Application No. PCT/JP2006/312724 filed on June 26, 2006 and as amended under PCT Article 19 on _____ (if any) and/or under PCT Article 34 on _____ (if any).

AND WHEREAS, KOWA COMPANY, LTD.

with its principal place of business at 6-29 Nishiki 3-chome, Naka-ku, Nagoya-shi, Aichi 460-8625 Japan

(hereinafter referred to as Assignee) desires to acquire the entire right, title, and interest in and to the said improvements with respect to the United States of America, its territories and possessions.

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, Assignor hereby acknowledges that it has sold, assigned, transferred and set over, and by these presents does hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over, unto Assignee, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, the entire right, title, and interest in the United States of America, and its territories and possessions in, to and under said improvements, and any Patent Applications in the United States of America and all divisions, renewals and continuations thereof, and all Patents of the United States of America which may be granted thereon and all reissues and extensions thereof, and all rights of priority under International Conventions; and Assignor hereby authorizes and requests the Commissioner of Patents of the United States of America to issue all Patents for said improvements to Assignee, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, in accordance with the terms of this instrument.

AND ASSIGNOR HEREBY covenants and agrees that it will communicate to Assignee, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, any facts known to it respecting said improvements, and testify in any legal proceeding, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuing and reissue applications, make all rightful oaths and generally do everything possible to aid Assignee, its successors, legal representatives and assigns, to obtain and enforce proper patent protection for said improvements in the United States of America.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Assignor intending to be legally bound has hereunto affixed its signature.

This 29th day of August, 2007 Hironori Suzuki
Signature of Hironori SUZUKI

This 30th day of August, 2007 Katsumi Yabusaki
Signature of Katsumi YABUSAKI

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